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- 1. Three representatives of the Ta T'ien Erh ( X X 1) Army\*, an anti-Communist guerrilla unit in Kwangtung, are in Taipel conferring with MAO Sen regarding the merger of the Ta Tien Erh Army with MAO Senis guerrilla units.
- Because effective Communist control of food and arms has not yet been established in Kwangtung, guerrilla groups there have a more favorable bargaining position than those units operating north of Shanghai. Guerrillas of the Ta Toien Erh Army have access to stocks of light arms and ammunition left by the retreating Nationalist in Ewangtung.

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Comment. In March 1950 the Ta Tien Erh, a bandit-guerrilla organization of long standing in the Pearl River Delta, and rival Delta guerrillas were contending for Nationalist recognition. See

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